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DECREASING TREND IN POPULATION
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is all decreasing trend in the population of the country during the last few years;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of the future plans of the Government to further decrease in the population?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) : Yes, Sir. There is a decreasing trend in the population of the country. The annual natural increase of population, which is the difference between crude birth rate and death rate is given for last decade :-

Year	Birth Rate	Death Rate	Growth Rate (in %)
1990	30.2	9.7	2.05
1995	28.3	9.0	1.93
2000	25.8	8.5	1.73

(c) : The future plans of the Government to further decrease in the population is as follow:-

Ã ºA nintegrated and holistic programme for Reproductive and Child Health that include Maternal Health, Child Health and Contraception, has been in operation, including community involvement in administering family planning services.

Ã ºGovernment has adopted a National Population Policy (NPP) in February 2000, which provides for an inter-sectoral agenda to bring about population stabilization. NPP 2000 has the objective of meeting the unmet needs of health infrastructure, health personnel and contraception and providing integrated service delivery for basic reproductive and child health care.

Ã ºAn Empowered Action Group has been constituted under the chairmanship of the Union Health and Family Welfare Minister for focused attention on improving the coverage and outreach of services in the eight states of Uttar Pradesh, Uttaranchal, Bihar, Jharkhand, Rajasthan, Orissa, Madhya Pradesh and Chhattisgarh.